

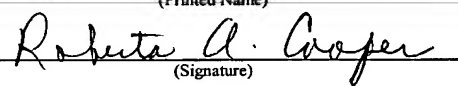
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Yakes, et al  
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Traction Vehicle  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed July 8, 2004, Applicant hereby provisionally elects Group I, Claims 39-41, for examination, with traverse.

The Examiner has required restriction between Claims 39-41 (Group I), drawn to a method of transferring data to potential customers over the Internet, classified in class 705, subclass 27, and Claims 44-82 (Group II), drawn to an electric vehicle and AC bus assembly, classified in class 701, subclass 22. Applicant respectfully disagrees.

The Commissioner may require restriction if two or more independent and distinct inventions are claimed in one application (35 U.S.C. §121). In the present case, although the claimed subject matter may be classified in different classes, the inventions are not independent. Contrary to the Examiner's statements that the method claims of Group I do not require the particulars of Group II, Applicants point out that independent claim 39 is directed to a method of transferring data of an electronic traction vehicle, elements of which including an AC bus assembly, are set forth in claim 1. (Claim 1, lines 3-10).

Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the restriction requirement be withdrawn, and each of claims 39-41 and 44-82 presently pending in this application be examined.

Respectfully submitted,

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